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Chamber of Commerce Holds Important Regular Meeting

The Chamber of Commerce held its regular meeting Saturday night at which time many matters of importance were brought out. Secretary Biggs read numerous letters which had been written and received by him and some of which were of importance to the members of Joshua Tree and the welfare of the community.

These letters were discussed and action taken by the members. Various committees gave reports of the work they had been appointed to do and the results of these reports showed that neither the committees or the Board of Directors had been lacking in their efforts to make the Joshua Tree Chamber of Commerce the liveliest Chamber in San Bernardino County. Our Secretary has fulfilled his duties in a most commendable way and deserves the hearty thanks of all members. Being a secretary to a Chamber of Commerce in a live town like Joshua Tree is a difficult job.

Matters of fire protection, flood control, many civic duties, advertising, traffic control, new business and by-laws, were all reported on by Chairmen of these committees and discussed by the Chamber. On the matter of traffic control, Mr. Beard, chairman of the committee resigned and Mr. Shelley was appointed as Chairman of that committee.

One of the letters of importance which was read was from the Desert Hot Springs Chamber of Commerce pertaining to a road from 29 Palms to Desert Hot Springs. Mr. Mitchell was appointed by our President, Milo Crane, to attend a meeting at Desert Hot Springs and report back to the Chamber, his findings.

Miss Selby of the Automobile Club of Los Angeles, was present and touched upon some important issues pertaining to signs on our highway leading to Joshua Tree. Our Chamber President, Mr. Crane, expressed his appreciation of Miss Selby's remarks and requested that letters which would give us further light on the subject be sent to the secretary of our Chamber for our consideration. Miss Selby's remarks were appreciated by all members, as signs leading the people into Joshua Tree are of vital importance to all.

A letter was read pertaining to persons shooting within certain areas, which had been reported to proper authorities in 29 Palms, and a copy of same will appear in the Journal as voted upon by the Chamber.

Our Chamber of Commerce has 140 members. It has a Board of Directors, Officers and a group of committees which are functioning

Mentalphysics Town Enjoy Guests Armistice Day

Dr. Dingle, who is building a new town, two miles west of Joshua Tree, and whose followers are numbered in the thousands all over the United States and other parts of the world, held a picnic for his followers, Armistice day.

All day Saturday and Sunday our entire valley Motels and Hotels were crowded with guests who poured into the valley to attend the picnic, and view the town which is being built for the benefit of his ever growing congregation.

Dr. Dingle spoke to his followers out of doors and portrayed to them the realities of the dream of a town of their own. Dr. Dingle owns vast acres of land in Yucca Valley, where the town is being built and work is progressing in the Temple building, which will be one of the finest structures in the United States.

We were unable to ascertain the number who attended this picnic, but the place was packed with cars and hundreds were standing out of doors attentively listening to the words of their leader.

Where To Eat In Banning

One of the editors of the Journal, accompanied by Miss Mary Burson, of the Bunker Land Company, and a guest, stopped off at the Life Saver's Cafe, 1448 East Ramsey in Banning, Tuesday.

The Spanish food we had was something to go home and dream about.

Frankly, this food is so good that it can only be imagined by eating there. When you are in Banning, or if you are driving through, be sure and stop and sample their Spanish food. They also serve American food. Write down their address, 1448 Ramsey, Banning.

WOMAN'S CLUB MEETS TODAY

The regular meeting of the Woman's club will be held today at 2:00 p.m.

All are requested to attend.

in an active and co-operative manner. It is the duty of each member and especially those owning property to give the fine officers, board of directors and committees, who are doing a marvelous job, their moral support, by attending these meetings.

Joshua Tree May Get Drug Store

Mr. Becker, of Verduga Woodlands, Glendale, was in Joshua Tree Sunday. Mr. Becker was accompanied by Mr. Becker's brother and wife. Mr. Becker is a druggist in Glendale. He came to Joshua Tree at the invitation of K. L. Williams, of the Gift Box, and looked over our town with the idea of establishing himself in the Drug Store business here. Mr. Becker was so impressed with Joshua Tree and her future, that he looked over business lots while here. Joshua Tree needs a drug store and now is the time to get in on the ground floor.

Bring Back the Bodes' Ink Well

Will the party or parties who picked up an ink well at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Bode on El Reposo, please return same to the Bode home. The ink well was one given them by their friend Senator O'Neil of Washington, and one which they prize very much as a keepsake. At the time someone picked it up at the Bode home it was being given a violet ray treatment. The Bodes will appreciate its return.

Miss Tess Smith And Sister Here

The Journal Office received a pleasant visit Monday morning in the person of Miss Tess Smith of Los Angeles, who accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Ruth Allison, of Hollywood, had spent Saturday and Sunday in our little city, returning to their homes Monday morning.

Miss Smith is the owner of one of our prized lots in Joshua Tree, and is warm in her praises of the town and country surrounding. While here she renewed her faith in the place and her desire to have the Journal continue to keep her posted by dropping a couple more simoleons into our till. She is a very charming lady and we hope ere long to be able to register her as a Joshua Treeite.

Notice to Our Advertisers

Owing to the fact that our regular press day comes on Thanksgiving Day we are asking our advertisers to get all changes for copy in the office not later than Tuesday, the 26th, as the paper will go to press on Wednesday of that week.

The printers want Thanksgiving Day off, so they can eat turkey, so let's all cooperate.

Only One More Week to Enroll In California Physicians' Service

Will Reproduce School Play

Arrangements have been made to have the school children reproduce the play they staged at the Community Building last week, "Pioneer," for the benefit of the Woman's Club, Friday, November 15, at 1:30 p.m., at the Community Building.

The children will put on a good show and the whole town is invited to be present and encourage our youth. A meeting of the Woman's Club will be held at 2:00 p.m. Friday.

Thanksgiving

There will be a Thanksgiving service on Wednesday evening, Nov. 27, 1946, at the Community Hall, sponsored by the Joshua Tree Community Chapel.

Everyone is cordially invited. Let us make this a real community Thanksgiving service.

Unhampered Production

With the abandonment of wage and price controls, American management and labor are presented with the opportunity to increase the standard of living through unhampered production, fair prices and good wages, it was asserted this week by J. A. Hartley, chairman of the board, Merchants' and Manufacturers' Association.

"Management and labor must buckle down as a team to get things made," said Hartley. "It means realization that long-run prosperity for workers can come only from production."

MR. AND MRS. RICE RETURN FROM TRIP

Mr. and Mrs. Rice, who recently sold the Desert Cafe have returned from Amarillo, Texas, where they visited Mrs. Rice's mother, also relatives in Fort Smith, Ark. They were gone three or four weeks, and brought home with them Mrs. Ila Ray Millican, of Amarillo, for a few weeks visit. Mr. and Mrs. Rice looked rested and happy after their trip.

DONA GREY GETS GOOD EATS

The Dona Grey Health Food Store had frozen fat hens this week end and sometimes has frozen pork roasts. Get in touch with her.

As the California Physicians' Service successful enrollment drive in San Bernardino County neared its final stages, Dr. Lowell S. Goin, president, announced today that only one more week remained to take advantage of CPS's enrollment offer.

Local physicians point out that advantages of CPS include: No examinations required, no forms to fill out and no red tape. Enrollment is open to employees in firms where five or more men and women are employed.

Many thousands of new members have enrolled in CPS during the County's Voluntary Health Insurance drive, according to the doctors whose organization took an active part in the campaign.

"Before ringing down the curtain on the campaign," Dr. Goin said, "on behalf of the 7400 physicians who are members of CPS, I want to thank every single person who has assisted us in making this one of the most successful enrollments in the entire state."

"Particularly do I want to express this appreciation to the newspapers and physicians who have cooperated so marvelously."

Milton Tremayne is in charge of CPS offices located at 393 E St., San Bernardino.

Sponsored by the California Medical Association, CPS is the doctors' own plan for prepaid medical, surgical and hospital care.

ARNOLD HARDWARE MORONGO VALLEY

To the people living along the 29 Palms Hiway, the Arnold Hdw. & Plumbing Supply store of Morongo Valley, is now in a position to fill your wants for anything in the hardware or plumbing line. No use to drive miles outside the valley to get articles you can buy at home, and the Arnold store keeps inviting you through these columns to come in and look them over.

ARMISTICE DAY IN JOSHUA TREE

Armistice Day was a very tame affair in Joshua Tree. Several flags were displayed, a number of the business houses closed up for a part of the day, and many of our people went visiting, and all in all, it was just another holiday.

Mr. Dal Corso of the Corso & Kenney Real Estate Brokers, of Los Angeles, was a Sunday visitor here. This firm are the owners of Sunny Side Acres, located Northeast of Joshua Tree, and are preparing to open those acres to the public soon.

Brickbats and ... Boquets

GOOD LUCK CEDRIC O'BRIEN
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Friday Night, Nov. 8th, 1946

Dear Friends:

Please find enclosed one dollar to renew my subscription for another six months.

Later this winter or early spring will send in for a whole year's subscription.

The Joshua Journal is sure a nice little paper. I like it very much.

Some day I hope to get over to see Joshua Tree, and to call in at your office.

I do not drive a car and my income has been pretty limited. The only way I can get over there for a few days or so, is for some one to come over here and take me over there and back.

There is a lady I have met up at Julian who says she is going to have my flute compositions and songs arranged and put on the market for me. So my compositions are o.k.

One of these days I may have an independent income from my compositions and be able to buy a place of my own.

I am thinking of spending a

couple of days over in Borego Desert again next week.

I sure like the desert. Rain last night and today here on the creek, over an inch, and it sure turned cold here at Golden Chariot Canyon. Me for the desert.

Your interested subscriber,
CEDRIC O'BRYAN,
Flute Composer

Los Angeles 4, Calif.
November 9, 1946

Joshua Journal
Dear Friends:

Herewith my check for a renewal on my subscription. I look forward to my copy each week like a visit among the many friends I have made in Joshua Tree. My one regret is that I can't spend each weekend there and get more of your pure, invigorating mountain desert air.

Each visit I have made during the past year,—about every sixty days—has given me such a grand build-up and thrill, because others have come in—and form the same opinion that I have—that Joshua Tree is a place where our dreams become a reality.

One of these days my plans will work out, and I'll also be among the enthusiastic builders — thus making my dreams come true. I want a guest ranch on my treasured property.

Would I like to sell my treasured holdings? No—not at twice the

price I paid last December. In fact on each visit another lot is added to my original property. I want to get one or two of the new Sunrise Terrace lots, if still available, on my next trip soon.

Most sincerely,

M. CRAWFORD

P. S.—A friend has been reading my Journal for the past few weeks with great interest. Says he is beginning to know the people, and has never been to Joshua Tree, but is going to make a trip soon and look over some property before he regrets his delay.—M.C.

DANGEROUS WORDS

Broadcast to the Russian people last week by Marshal A. A. Zhdanov, Supreme Soviet chairman, were an insult to the American people and a lie about our economy.

The insult: "The blood of our Russian people was not shed for atomic blackmailers."

The lie: "The changeover from war to peace (in the U. S.) caused the closing of factories and the growth of unemployment."

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The Chamber of Commerce meets second Saturday of each month at the Community Hall at 8 o'clock.

The Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce meets Tuesday evening preceding Chamber of Commerce meeting.

The Woman's Auxiliary of the American Legion meets second Thursday in each month. Place to be announced by publicity representative.

American Legion meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month at Community Hall until further notice.

Woman's Club meets 3rd Friday of each month at 2 o'clock at the Community Hall.

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Pavement Pick-ups

Mr. and Mrs. John Hoepfle, of Long Beach, were among the nice couples who called at the Journal office, Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Hoepfle own a lot on the Alta Vista addition here and were so pleased with the desert in Joshua Tree and surrounding valley, that they expressed a desire to build soon. Mrs. Hoepfle is employed in the wa rsurplus work for the government.

Mr. and Mrs. Noughton, of Col-exico, sister and brother-in-law of Larry Gray, were visiting Larry last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. O'Hara, of Huntington Park, visited Mrs. Beckford of Rock Haven several days last week. Mr. and Mrs. O'Hara bought Rock Haven, but will lease the place to Mrs. Beckford, who will look after their interests. Mrs. Beckford drove up in a new Plymouth Sedan, which she received Friday of last week. It is a beauty.

Mr. and Mrs. La Ferney took advantage of the holidays to spend the time with their daughter who is ill in a hospital in Los Angeles. She is reported to be improving and enjoying the many nice gifts which have been sent her.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Kirch of South San Gabriel were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kirch, of Joshua Tree. The young people are newlyweds and were both pleased with our desert valley and promise to make many visits to their aunt and uncle.

Mr. J. E. Moore, of Burbank spent Saturday and Sunday with wife and daughter who had been visiting Mrs. Moore's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wood. Mr. Moore is connected with the Glendale post-office.

Word received from Mr. and Mrs. Steele, who left here last week to locate in Los Angeles, informs us that they are snugly ensconced in a four room cottage, where they are going to remain for some time or at least until they get homesick for the desert. Mrs. Steele will dabble in real estate while she resides there. Good luck, folks. They have asked for the Journal to visit them weekly.

Mr. and Mrs. Rand Watson of Inglewood spent the week end in Joshua Tree. Mr. Watson is connected with a bank in Inglewood. They were the guests of MiraMonte Courts. Mr. and Mrs. Watson both like Joshua Tree and will make other visits here.

Mrs. Duncan enjoyed a few days last week in San Bernardino, where she visited her sisters who live there. Mr. Duncan, of the Joshua Tree Townsite Company, now having charge of the Sun Valley office looked like he missed the sunny presence of Mrs. Duncan.

Mrs. Nancy White, of New York, San Francisco and other points was a caller at the Journal office Monday. Mrs. White was formerly with Radio, having as her program "Romance of Life." Mrs. White is a metaphysician and expects to cast her lot with us in Joshua Tree. She is a nice person and we welcome her to our growing community.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fox had as their guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Harry Norris, of Arcadia. This was their first trip here and both were delighted with their trip to Joshua Tree and surrounding desert. They visited the Giant Rock. They were much impressed with the beauties of nature's handiwork when driven through the National Monument.

JUVENILE DELINQUENCY SHOWS SHARP DECLINE

A sharp decline in juvenile delinquency throughout California is reported by Karl Holton, director of the California Youth Authority

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The theme for Book Week this year is Books are Bridges; bridges to lands around the world, bridges to understanding other people, and bridges to building the future. This is the 28th annual Book Week, the year of its inauguration having been 1919.

Exhibits of new children's books are on display at the local branch of the county library and teachers have been invited to take their classes to visit the library. Books on display this week may be circulated next week.

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Mrs. Maude Bunker and Mr. Fred B. Harvard were week end guests at the Club House. Mrs. Bunker has resumed her duties in the college office.

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"Entered as second-class matter August 12, 1946, at the Post Office at Joshua Tree, California, under the Act of March 3, 1879."

This section of God's country was the recipient of a bountiful rainfall Tuesday night, Wednesday and on into the night. The rainfall extended throughout the valley and while we have no way of measuring the amount of precipitation, some of those who claim to know, say it would measure a good half inch.

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The heads of the Chamber of Commerce in Joshua Tree, seem to be working harmoniously and accomplishing much in the way of getting things started toward accomplishing many things needed to put our town on the map. The Committees appointed some time ago, are all reporting progress in their work and all seem enthused with the jobs they have been assigned to accomplish. However, there seems to be a lack of enthusiasm among the balance of the members of the organization which is shown by their non-attendance at the meetings of the Chamber. This fact is to be deplored, as a good attendance of members would have a tendency to keep up the morale of the officers and the members serving on the committees. With a membership of around 140 members, a full attendance each meeting night is not too much to expect. If you want to help your Chamber accomplish the things the town needs and hopes for, show your good faith and interest by attending these meetings.

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Promiscuous shooting by hunters and others in and around the limits of Joshua Tree should be stopped before some serious accident is inflicted upon someone. Reports keep coming in to this office about this practice and the time has arrived when a stop should be put to it. Fortunately, so far, no one has been seriously hurt by this pastime but if the sport is kept up, it is only a matter of time until something serious may happen. Parties found guilty of this practice, should be reported to the proper authorities and they should be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. If you have a license to hunt, that doesn't mean that you will be allowed to trespass or shoot recklessly near where human beings reside. Those guilty of this practice are going to find themselves in serious trouble one of these days if they persist in it.

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Presidents die in office, but they never resign. Those Republicans who held out hopes after the results of the election last week that Truman would resign and turn the nation over to them ahead of time, were just wishful thinkers. There is still a little cooling off period for them before they can belly up to the feed trough.

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In a Journal poll among the voters in Joshua Tree precinct, we are led to believe that there are more Republicans here today than there were just prior to the election last week.

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The failure of a few politicians and their satellites in this district to defeat Congressman Sheppard in the election last week, is not going to ease their feelings any. Sheppard is a pretty good horse trader and with that new bunch of Republicans in Congress needing advice and help, the Congressman may be able to make some pretty good trades.

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The cigar situation in this country is still in a deplorable condition. Up until just before the late war broke out you could get a pretty fair smoke at a fair price. Today you can hardly get a cigar fit to smoke and the prices are all out of reason. The tobacco houses are unloading on the public all the cheap leftover tobacco they had on hand and they have upped the price all out of proportion. This is an industry that should be investigated by the government and placed under strict regulations.

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We are getting tired of going into a meat market and smiling at the man behind the counter, or looking sorrowful or pitiful, when we ask for a little bacon or sausage, that we may continue to live. And to be met by that old stereotyped answer, "sorry, no bacon or sausage." We know he is stalling us as a rule, but what can you do about it? As you turn around and start to walk out, you look back and see him go under the counter to bring forth a half pound of bacon or a pound of sausage for a friend who has just belied up to the counter. The friend grins, goes on his way rejoicing, while we try to console ourselves with the thought that we wouldn't want to be a friend of that butcher, anyway.

Two Loves

Close by the blue Pacific have I dwelt
These many times, yet always then have felt
The magnet-pull of that vast, vacant land
Of sand and sage and sunshine, ringed and spanned.

By gold and purple hilltops. Then the thought
Was followed by swift footsteps and I sought
The inland trail, away from swerling mist—
Headed toward that solitude, sunkissed,

Where buzzards wheel aloft, where lizards play
O'er sand and stone. There, at the close of day,
I'd lay me down 'neath Desert's star-sewn quilt
And sleep as one without a trace of guilt.

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Oft on the desert's bosom have I slept
Safe from all harm by the Great Spirit kept,
But frequently would come a haunting dream,
Saltily savoring of ocean, and the cream.

Of curling combers crashing on the crags;
Of pouchy pelican; of gull that nags
The shrieking, sullen storm. Then I'd awake,
Eager to reach the Coast. My way I'd make.

To wide, white sands that feverishly await
The impetuous osculations of their mate
The surging surf, ever unsurfeited.
There would I lay my humble, lonely bed.

L'envoi

Long I've been torn 'tween loyalty—the Shore
And then the Desert's undulating floor—
A fickle lover, wending my vagrant ways
From one unto the other, all my days.

—TRAMA REGUS PATOFF

School Finance Law Discussed

Legislation necessary to implement some of the important provisions of Proposition No. 3, approved at the recent election, dealing with school finances, was the subject of a meeting of school superintendents in Los Angeles Tuesday.

Members came from various parts of the State and were joined in some of the discussion by members of the Assembly Committee on Education under the chairmanship of Assemblyman Gardiner Johnson of Berkeley.

Proposition No. 3, Johnson pointed out, is not self-executing as to distribution of State funds for school purposes. The school superintendents are particularly interested in legislation setting up methods of distribution and specific purposes.

Program Is Aim

Johnson said that the desire of his committee is to obtain the co-

operation of all interested parties, the school administrators, boards, teachers, through their associa-

tions, P-TA, taxpayers' groups and so on, to the end that when the Legislature meets an intelligent legislative proposal or proposals will be ready.

A legislative subcommittee was appointed by Johnson to work on the problem. Members include Assemblymen Ernest Geddes, Phil Davis, Julian Beck and Francis Dunn.

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DR. LOWELL S. GOIN, president of the California Physicians' Service, the non-profit medical, surgical and hospital care organization sponsored by more than 7400 family physicians. CPS enrollment exceeds 265,000.

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Cousin Julia says:

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THIS . . . and THAT

By Beth Barrett

Had a nice chat with Fred Harvard, our poet who spent the week end in Joshua Tree. Mr. Harvard is a versatile and congenial person whom it is a pleasure to know. He has the art of living the moment to its fullest enjoyment. Some times when he drops in for a pleasant chat the Boss looks at me sternly reminding me that we should be getting this paper out. O well, I have known the Boss so long that me thinks his bark is worse than his bite." Come any time Mr. H. It is nice knowing you.

Bill Bunker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chet Bunker, is one young man whom we like to have stick his head in our office door. Bill has such an infectious smile that not any one can resist liking to see him. He fits in so many places in Joshua Tree that we only see him occasionally, and each time at a new kind of job. There should be a host of Bill Bunkers in the world.

My column seems to be slanting toward men. I DO like them, but here's about a woman who is tops. Just received a long letter from Edna Wilde, who used to sponsor a Writer's Group in Los Angeles. She thinks every one should enjoy my job and my husband. She is so sunny and so accurately describes her various activities since I saw her, with her own original humorous slant, that reading her letter gives me a lift. Among the nice things she says, and I quote, "You would start preening could you hear laudits about yourself. So many of the group give out when your name is mentioned." We used to kick off our shoes if our feet hurt when we went to Edna's and lean back. Then we got down to the real business of flaying each other in no uncertain terms if our manuscripts did not come up to "Scratch." My efforts in Short Story writing were a mess.

Just met a nice couple in Joshua Tree who own a lot on El Reposo, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Bode. Mrs.

Bode is a former newspaper woman, having worked on a Hearst newspaper, also a small town newspaper. Both Mr. and Mrs. Bode are nice and their young son is a little gentleman. Mrs. Bode likes my This and That. She said: "Reading your column after having read of murders, politics and the chaotic conditions generally, is like a fresh clean breeze. You have such a nice way of speaking of others. I never miss reading it." Thank you Mrs. Bode. So many have been nice enough to share your opinion that it is gratifying to know that my natural liking of others is helpful. If we do not care for any individual, it has been my experience, that we lack understanding of that particular person, or his or her background.

Lum and Grace if you had come over last week end you would not have had to "Bring your dinner and come over," I had one of Donna Grey's frozen chickens with the only thing I excell in — in cooking, I mean — dumplings.

Sun Valley News

By MARY BURSON

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cones of 29 Palms for dinner Sunday evening were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tootle of Sun Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Emig and family were shopping in Redlands and San Bernardino Saturday.

Miss Phyllis Ledesma has returned home after a two months' visit with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Jewell in Long Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Hofman of Cedar Pines Park were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Ledesma over the weekend. Mr. and Mrs. Hofmann are property owners in Sun Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lopez entertained Mr. Clifford Suddiford for dinner on his birthday, Monday, November 11th.

Mrs. Cecil Smith and Mrs. Joseph Lopez were visiting in San Bernardino Saturday.



SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School in Joshua Tree Community Chapel at 9:45 each Sunday morning. Also Adult class. Mrs. M. K. Lee, Superintendent.

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Church services each Sunday morning at Joshua Tree Community Chapel at 11 o'clock. Rev. Williams, pastor.

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Rev. Robert M. Hogarth of Palm Springs
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Vesper Services, 4:30 p.m.

Pavement Pick-ups

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kirch are spending this week in Van Nuys, visiting old friends and neighbors.

Arthur Haynes, wife and grandchild of Los Angeles, were among the numerous visitors over the week end in Joshua Tree.

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Difficulties Expected

"Our government is founded upon the constitutional principle that the three branches of the government are independent of each other. Under this principle our country has prospered and grown great. I should be less than candid, however, if I omitted to state that the present situation threatens difficulties."

"Only by the exercise of wisdom and restraint and the constant determination to place the interest of our country above all other interests, can we meet and solve the problems ahead of us."

"The stake is large. Our great internal strength and our eminent position in the world are not, as some may too easily assume, indestructible."

President's Promise

"I shall devote all my energy to

the discharge of my duty with a full realization of the responsibility which results from the present state of affairs. I do not claim for myself and my associates greater devotion to the welfare of our nation than I ascribe to others of another party. We take the oath of office. We have at one time or another been equally willing to offer our lives in the defense of our country. I shall proceed, therefore, in the belief that the members of the Congress will discharge their duties with a full realization of their responsibility."

"Inevitably, issues will arrive between the President and the Congress. When this occurs, we must examine our respective positions with stern and critical analysis to exclude any attempt to tamper with the public interest in order to achieve personal or partisan advantage."

PAVEMENT PICK-UPS

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell spent Thursday in San Bernardino, transacting business.

Miss Bee Rogers has accepted a position at the local postoffice, where she will assist the postmaster, Mrs. Grace Aldrich during the holiday season.

Church Corner

By ANTOINETTE KIRCH

Dr. Earl R. Rice of Banning, preached Sunday at the Joshua Tree Community chapel in the absence of Dr. Williams. His text was taken from the 15th chapter of St. Matthew, 33rd to 39th verses. The theme of his sermon was "Bread in the Wilderness," pointing out how we can make use of the things that are at hand. By showing a spirit of Christian friendliness we can satisfy the spiritual hunger of the people of the world.

Mr. M. T. Crane played a flute solo. Mrs. Antoinette Kirch sang "The Stranger of Galilee," accompanied by Mrs. H. K. Lee.

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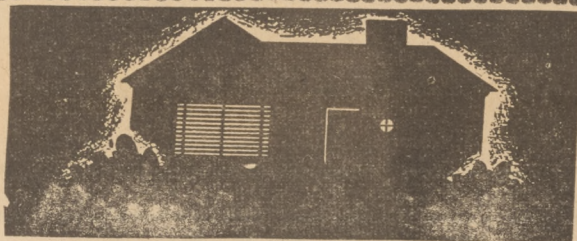
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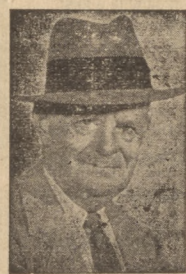
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"Did I ever tell you 'bout Bill Barstow's fast steppin' some years ago?" Tonopah queried us as he dropped into the office yesterday and monopolized the editor's chair. We shook our head.

"Well," he informed us, "he'd sure hung up a new champeen record if he'd been timed. It was this away:

"Bill was minin' in Californy in that range of mountains that borders the Colorado. Across the river is Parker, Arizona, where Bill purchased his supplies. There ain't no regular bridge across that stream 'ceptin' that which belongs to the railroad, so one has to take the ferry which operates only in the day time. Well, Bill found one day we needed some supplies and powder, pretty pronto. He had a bunch of Mexs workin' for him and he knew once they'd stopped workin' it would be hard startin' 'em up again, so he hikes out for the river with all the available cash in the cam pand two gunny sacks.

"He just made the last ferry over and at the Parker General Store he filled up one sack with bacon and beans and other groceries

and the other with twenty sticks of dynamite.

"It was quite dark when he had finished shopping and Bill began to get nervous. He didn't want to stay in Parker all night—he wanted to get home. So he started scheming.

"There was only one way to get out that night was by the railroad bridge. Permission to get across was up to the watchman. If no train was due and the watchman felt good natured, and you slipped him a dollar, he might pass you over. It depended mostly on the dollar.

"There was a sign at the bridge regarding explosives. Bill realized that but he also realized that there was no train until 2 p.m., that it took only 15 minutes to cross that way, and that by so doing he'd be in camp before sunrise, instead of noon, if he waited for the first ferry out. So Bill carefully laid his plans.

"He took some of the lighter stuff out of the grocery bag and piled it on top of the bag that held the sticks of dynamite, and started for the bridge. He slapped the watchman on the back, slipped a dollar into his fist opened up both

bags—the tops of 'em and was soon walkin' ties.

"Bill tells me how he was chuckin' to himself the way he put it over, when he heard a sound that struck terror to his vitals and brought him up standin'. It was the long, low whistle of a locomotive. Bill has heard snakes hiss, and wildcats snarl and panthers cry, and never batted an eyelash, but that long, low whistle made every hair on his hear riz right up and stay thar. He didn't dare throw the dynamite overboard fer fear it would explode and wreck the bridge, and him with it, and he figured what an awful mess he'd be in if the train struck him with it on his person.

"Then Bill sort o' braced up and cussed himself for havin' jumpy nerves and a fool imagination and to assure himself that was all there was to it, he turned 'round. Then followed another spasm—but more violent. He seen the headlight of a locomotive shinin' down the track. Believe me, he started steppin' as he'd never stepped before and he had to watch his step, too, as he was walkin' ties.

"Every muscle moved, the sweat poured down his face and trickled down his back and he never know-

ed it. All he was thinkin' of was that he was carrying 20 sticks of dynamite. His hair stood on end like a Fiji chief. His eyes stuck out like boiled lobster, his face was working convulsively and he caught himself cussin' one minute and prayin' the next—all the time his legs were workin' like the pistons on that injine.

"Just as his legs began to wobble and his wind give clean out and he caught himself prayin' he'd git hit and be put out of his misery, he reached the other side and toppled down the bank as the train went



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